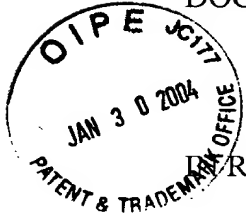


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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 8, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-12, 14, and 18-26 remain pending in the application.